



St Mark and All Saints C of E Primary School and Nursery



'Together we care, learn and achieve'

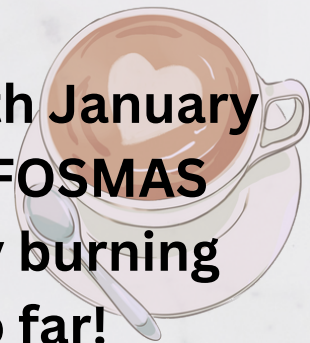
Friday 13 January 2023

Welcome back and Happy New Year to all our St Mark and All Saints Families!

This term we have welcomed lots of new families to our school and thanks to the lovely children in our classes they have all settled quickly and are feeling very warmly welcomed.

Please do keep an eye out for these families on the playground and introduce yourselves so they quickly find out all about our local playgrounds, walks, toddler groups and upcoming school events.

New families coffee morning is on Friday 20th January (next week) at 9 am an opportunity to ask FOSMAS (Friends Of St Mark and All Saints) reps any burning questions that we haven't answered so far!



This week our Family Learning courses in the new meeting room- The Hive- have started and next week our Family Thrive course begins. The Hive is a wonderful space for these events and is accessed through the Nursery/Maternity gate and then the side gate at the rear of the school so you don't have to walk through the car park. Our new gates all have options for entry which need you to scroll down and choose the right option before buzzing.



Cherry Class Blog

Cherry Class have launched into 2023 at full speed! We have been so busy in the past week! We all enjoyed a well deserved Christmas break after the amazing nativity performances and the excitement of the cheeky Elf in our classroom!

We started our new History topic about Space Explorers with a fascinating workshop about Neil Armstrong on the moon landing. The children learnt so much about life in the 1960's and the launch of Apollo 11. They loved joining in with acting and pretending to be astronauts. We have also created a Space Station to enhance their learning and it is proving to be a very popular corner of the classroom!

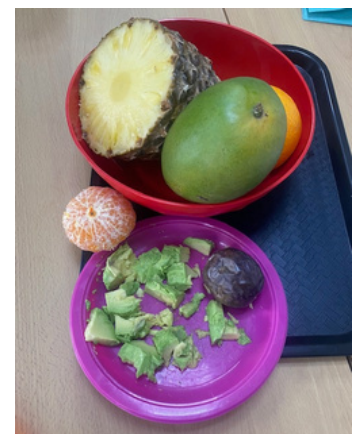
In English we are reading 'Handa's Surprise' and the class were introduced to this book by finding an assortment of exotic fruit in the classroom. We discussed what the fruit looked and felt like and then we tasted them - some enjoyed this more than others! The guava and passion fruit definitely received a mixed reaction!

In Maths we are looking at positions - ordinal numbers and left and right - and have been running races and standing in lines to use our positional vocabulary.

For PSHE we have created dream jars and they will be filled up with achievements the children are proud of and their goals for the year.

All children have their log in for Boom Reader, please do update when they read at home and we will also record their reading at school and share any comments with you.

The class have made amazing progress from September and it has been lovely for you all to see how hard they have been working during the Book Looks. They all should feel extremely proud of themselves!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

16 January – Family Thrive Course 1:30pm – 3:00pm
18 January – Help your Child Manage Anxiety Course 9:15am – 11:15am
23 January – Family Thrive Course 1:30pm – 3:00pm
25 January – Help your Child Manage Anxiety Course 9:15am – 11:15am
26 January – Hazel Class Trip to Alice Holt
30 January – Family Thrive Course 1:30pm – 3:00pm

1 February – Willow Class Assembly 9:00am – 9:30am
6 February – Beech Class trip to Shah Jahan Mosque
6 February – Open Classrooms 2:45pm – 3:15pm
9 February – Willow Class trip to Weald and Downland Museum

10 February – Inset

Spring Half term – 13 February – 17 February

20 – 24 February – Ash Class swimming lessons at 1:00pm
20 – 24 February – Hawthorn Class Cycle Training – Group 1
20 February – Family Thrive Course 1:30pm – 3:00pm
27 February – 3 March – Hawthorn Class Cycle Training – Group 2
27 February – 3 March – Book Week
27 February – Family Thrive Course 1:30pm – 3:00pm

1 March – Stories & Hot chocolate evening 4:30pm – 5:30pm
2 March – World Book Day
3 March – Reading Cafe 9:30am – 10:30am
6 March – Family Thrive Course 1:30pm – 3:00pm
6 March – Open Classrooms YrR – Yr6 2:45pm – 3:15pm
8 – 10 March – Year 4 Residential
13 March – Our Mother Exhibition and Coffee morning
13 – 14 March – Willow Class Cycle Training – Group 1
15 – 16 March – Willow Class Cycle Training – Group 2
16 March – Hazel Class trip to Bocketts Farm
17 March – Beech Class Food and Farming Workshop (in school event)
22 March – Spring Consultation Evening (online) 3:00pm – 6:00pm
23 March – Beech Class trip to Milestones

27 – 31 March – Nursery is Closed

29 March – Spring Consultation Evening (online) 3:30pm – 5:30pm
31 March – Last day of term 1:15pm finish

Attendance 2022-2023

Annual attendance for whole school to date **90.9 %**

Attendance this week **91.8%**

Attendance last week **92.1%**

Inset Dates 2022-2023

Friday 10 February 2023

Friday 26 May 2023

Stars of the Week



6 January 2023

No celebration assembly this week

13 January 2023

Hazel - Cassia

Cherry - Delilah

Beech - James

Ash - Olly

Willow - Elee

Rowan - Edward

Hawthorn - Rex



Superstar Learner of the Week

6 January 2023

No celebration assembly this week

13 January 2023

Hazel - Cody

Cherry - Mufeeque

Beech - Daisy

Ash - Eddie

Willow - Fabiha

Rowan - Ronnie

Hawthorn - Scarlet T



FOSMAS Events 2022-23

20 January - New families Coffee Morning in The Hive 9am

27 January - Krispy Kreme Donut Sale

24 February - Bounce for Books

31 March - Easter Egg Hunt

25 May - Obstacle Race

17 June - Summer Fair

Chair of Local Committee

It has come to our attention that the contact email address on the school website for the Chair of the Local Committee - Dean Clegg - was incorrect, this has now been corrected and our IT team have managed to recover all emails that have now been transferred to the correct email address. The

correct email address is
chairoflc@stmarkallsaints.uk

Primary School Admissions

If your child is due to start school in September 2023 you can now apply online at:

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions/primary-junior-and-infant/apply>

Closing date for applications is 15 January 2023



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Free Maths Courses in Surrey



Does the thought of needing to do maths at work or at home make you anxious? Whether you need to get better at managing your bills and budgeting, improving your potential at work or helping your children with their homework, the government's free Multiply programme can help you. Lots of people feel anxious about everyday maths and the Multiply programme is hoping to boost people's confidence in numeracy.

Recently launched in Surrey, Multiply courses are available to anyone aged 19+ who does not have a GCSE at grade C (or equivalent) in maths. Course providers like Surrey Adult Learning, East Surrey College, National Numeracy and Windsor Forest College Group are offering free and easy to access courses and initiatives to help brush up numeracy skills.

You can attend courses online or in person across Surrey. Whether you simply want to boost your confidence with everyday maths to help with your child with their homework or take your first steps towards to more advanced offers such as GCSE Maths, Level 2 Functional Skills Qualification, or equivalent, you will be able to learn at a pace that suits you.

Find courses and support to help you

For courses available in Surrey visit the Surrey Council Multiply web page.

For national courses and a numeracy test visit the Multiply skills for life web page.

Attendance Matters

Holidays (Leave of absence)

Taking holidays in term time will have a detrimental effect on your child's progress, as they miss chunks of their learning. In line with St Mark & All Saints Attendance policy, we will not authorise any holiday in term time.

Penalty Fines

Unauthorised Absence

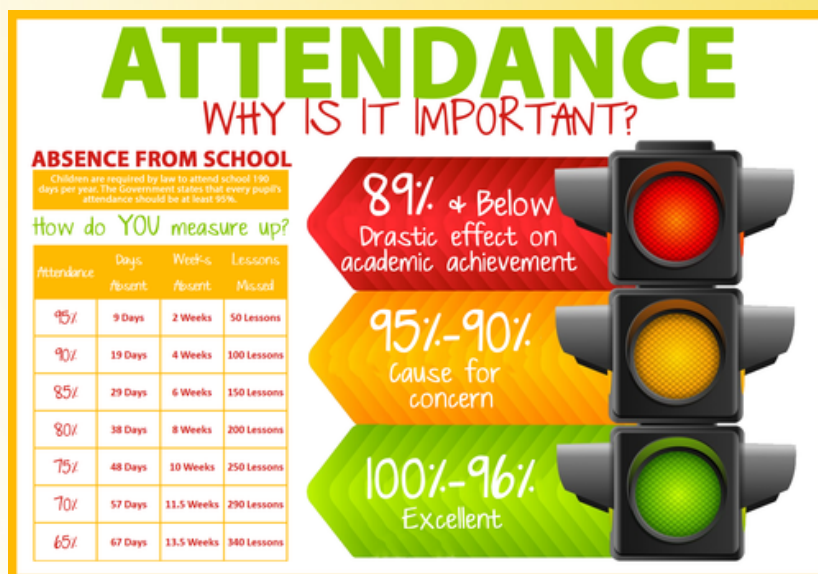
If you take your child out of school without authority for 5 or more days (which do not have to be consecutive), you will be liable to receive a penalty notice.

Currently the amount payable under a penalty notice is £60.00 per parent/carer per child if paid within 21 days.

Thereafter the amount increases to £120.00 if paid between 21 and 28 days.

If the penalty notice remains unpaid after 28 days, the Local Authority will consider a prosecution in the Magistrates Court.

Please note the penalty notices are issued per parent/carer per child so a family of two parents and two children will receive 4 penalty notices



Punctuality Matters too!

As a school, we are aware that lateness can severely affect achievement. We monitor punctuality closely and have strategies in place to address lateness.

The school gates are open from 8:45 am and close at 8:55 am, any child arriving after this point must report to the school office, as this is the time that registers close. Any child who arrives after 9:30 am will be given an unauthorised absence for the morning.

Please call the school office (01483 422924) to report all absences before 9am or email info@stmarkallsaints.uk